

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Officers and Committees
OF THE TOWN OF
Westhampton



For the Year Ending December 31, 1925

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Town Clerk's Report

BIRTHS

1925		
1 Jan.	10	Mahlon Kingsley Parsons.
2 Feb.	13	Mary Eva Stickney.
3 April	8	Murray Ives Clapp.
4 June	28	Doris May Blakesley.
5 June	16	Donald Hayden.
6 Aug.	16	Marilyn Asenath Mascho.
7 Nov.	6	Frank Bridgman Montague.
8 Dec.	7	Susan Ella Lavalley.

DEATHS

1925			Cause	Age
1 Jan.	14	Lillian G. Parsons	Lymphatic Leukaemia	54-8-22
2 Feb.	14	Emma E. (Clark) Williams	Cerebral Hemorrhage	78-7-29
3 May	25	Sarah H. (Clapp) Payson	General Sepsis and Exhaustion	84-0-26
4 Nov.	12	Susan Jessie Lyman	Septicaemia	31-3-16

MARRIAGES

1925			
1 Oct.	1	Wilbur Erland Hathaway	Westhampton, Mass.
		Louise Mary Blobel	Easthampton, Mass.

DOG ACCOUNT 1925

Dr.

June 1, 1925		
35 dogs at \$2.00	\$70.00	
4 Dogs at \$5.00	20.00	
		\$90.00

Cr.

Check to County Treasurer	\$82.20	
39 fees at 20 cents	7.80	
		\$90.00

Dr.

Dec. 1, 1925

27 dogs at \$2.00	\$54.00	
2 dogs at \$5.00	10.00	
	<u> </u>	\$64.00

Cr.

Check to County Treasurer	\$58.20	
29 fees at 20 cents	5.80	
	<u> </u>	\$64.00

GILBERT F. FLINT,

Town Clerk.

Westhampton, Mass., Dec. 31, 1925

I have examined the accounts of the Town Clerk and find them correct.

D. S. BRIDGMAN,

Auditor.

Treasurer's Report

1925

Cr.

Balance, January 1st, 1925	\$ 7,184.78
Taxes, year 1924	1,307.16
Taxes, year 1925	6,309.23
Interest on 1924 Taxes	60.40
Interest on 1925 taxes	5.11
Mass. Highway Commission,	3,900.00
Dog, Refund, County Treasurer	104.23
Interest, Thayer Fund	91.00
Interest, Wright Fund	70.50
Interest, Whiting Street Fund	125.60
Interest, Cemetery Fund	86.46
Interest, Totman Fund	90.00
Interest, Bank Account	119.14
Mass. School Fund	1,735.45
Vocational Educational School Fund	150.00
Income Taxes, 1922	3.00
Income Taxes, 1923	15.00
Income Taxes, 1924	24.00
Income Taxes, 1925	922.60
Corporation Tax, Public Service	39.21
Corporation Tax, Business	12.45
Superintendent in Small Towns	137.04
High School, Special Cases	651.00
National Bank Tax	47.14
State Aid	48.00
Soldiers' Exemption	18.36
Northampton School Dept.	423.63
County Treasurer, Wild-cat Bounty,	30.00
Transportation, High School Pupils	232.43
Inspection of Animals	10.00
Rent of Town Hall	6.00
Peddler's License	2.00
Dividend on Policy No. 76878	3.49
Bridge Loan	300.00
Dr.	24,274.41
Paid Selectmen's Orders	\$ 9,988.00
Paid School Committee's Orders	5,594.71
Cash on Hand	8,781.70
	24,274.41
Due 1925 Taxes	1,088.26

FUNDS HELD IN TRUST BY THE TOWN

INTEREST DRAWN 1925

\$1,000.00 Wright Fund,	\$ 70.50
1,000.00 Thayer Fund	91.00
1,380.85 Street Fund	125.60
2,000.00 Lucy Langdon Totman Cemetery Fund	90.00
500.00 O. C. Bridgmen Cemetery Fund	45.50
100.00 M. G. Strong	9.10
100.00 George Burt Cemetery Fund	9.10
100.00 S. C. Cook Cemetery Fund	9.10
100.00 Samuel Edwards Cemetery Fund	9.10
50.00 D. L. Brown Cemetery Fund	4.56

GILBERT F. FLINT,

Treasurer

Westhampton, Mass., December 31, 1925.

I have examined the Accounts of the Treasurer and find them correct, showing disbursements to the amount of Fifteen thousand, four hundred and ninety-two dollars, and seventy-one cents. (\$15,492.71). Due from J. C. Williams, Collector on 1925 Taxes, one thousand and eighty-eight dollars and twenty-six cents. (\$1,088.26).

D. S. BRIDGMAN,

Auditor.

Selectmen's Report

TOWN OFFICERS

Mr. M. Clapp, Cattle Inspector,	\$ 20.00
C. M. Bartlett, Selectman,	21.50
C. M. Bartlett, Assessor,	32.50
C. M. Bartlett, Moderator,	5.00
C. M. Bartlett, Board of Health,	5.50
A. D. Montague, Selectman,	16.50
A. D. Montague, Assessor,	29.00
Levi Burt, Selectman,	36.00
Levi Burt, Assessor,	37.50
M. M. Clapp, Meat Inspector,	36.50
C. R. Burt, Librarian,	50.00
G. I. Flint, Treasurer,	75.00
G. I. Flint, Clerk,	26.50
D. S. Bridgeman, Auditor,	10.00
J. C. Williams, Coll. Bal. due 1924,	40.00
J. C. Williams, Coll. 1925,	100.00
J. C. Williams, Constable,	3.00
J. C. Williams, Sealer,	10.00
	—————\$ 554.50

MISCELLANEOUS

O. W. Cobb, M. D., Return of births,	1.25
R. S. Bridgeman, Treasurer, Parish,	
1/2 Thayer fund,	26.18
Mrs. A. D. Montague, Treas. Cem. Ass'n.	88.23
R. S. Bridgeman, Treas. Parish Dog fund	
Library,	104.23
Berber Mfg. Co., Steel filing case,	10.00
Water Co., Tub at Center,	10.00
Metcalf Printing Co., Reports 1924	30.00
Levi Burt, Freight & trucking filing case,	3.68
G. H. Batchelder, Insurance,	14.76
Mrs. H. M. Clapp, Street & Wright funds,	110.55
Refund to W. E. Tannatt,	17.90
P. B. Murphy, Dog License Blanks,	1.70
A. D. Sanders Clerk & Treasurers bond,	16.00
Harry W. Stacey, Auto list,	3.00
Wakefield Item Press, Assessor blanks,	3.75
Assessors Association Dues,	3.00
Metcalf Printing Co., 500 envelopes,	
12 cloth posters,	8.75
E. L. Lewis Insurance,	92.93
Gazette Printing Co., Weight limit adv.,	4.95

C. H. Chase, Real estate transfers	4.80
Supplies for Clerk,	11.86
Briscols, 60 lb. soda for Forest Warden,	4.20
Hampshire Trustees Co., Aid to Agriculture	50.00
Memorial Day, fund,	50.00
Manchester-Forbes Co., Lawn Mower,	19.00
A. D. Sanders, Collector bond,	20.00
Hobbs & Warren, Collectors books	5.65
Water Co., Cemetery,	5.00
O. W. Cobb M. D., Damages to auto,	4.37
J. C. Williams, Coll. 1/2 Thayer fund,	19.32
G. H. Knight, Janitor, Hall,	17.90
J. C. Williams, Coll. Abatements,	6.94
County Tax,	1303.02
State Tax,	720.00
Certifying note,	2.00
C. A. Stark, bounty on Bob Cat,	10.00
R. J. Lardley, bounty on two Bob Cats',	20.00
J. J. Hogan, repairing hall roof,	3.55
Bridge Note,	303.00
Levi Burt, Express, telephone, postage,	4.02
C. R. Burt, Oil for lighting plant.	1.13
G. I. Flint, Postage & Supplies,	2.50
	<hr/> \$ 3,139.12

HIGHWAYS

A. T. Edwards,	18.80
A. L. Snow & Son,	23.20
W. M. Fiske,	316.65
E. J. Hathaway,	3.60
Chester L. Hunt,	51.30
C. R. Burt,	213.45
I. O. Shaw,	211.95
A. D. Montague,	190.70
Myron Hathaway,	183.00
Levi Burt,	594.22
Geo. H. Burt,	192.60
F. W. Blakesley,	376.60
Joe Guyette,	39.60
James Aldrich,	70.80
Geo. F. Todd,	73.80
Earl Todd,	86.40
Merton Todd,	28.80
Harold Mason,	25.20
Joe Atwood,	3.60
E. A. Montague	7.20
Henry P. Bridgeman,	70.20
E. H. Montague,	88.00
D. S. Bridgeman,	120.00
C. G. Loud,	16.20
Ernest Witherell,	64.15

C. M. Norris,	170.80
Ernest Shaw,	88.00
Leslie Shaw,	211.50
Truman Eddy,	14.40
Frank Niles,	10.20
Wilbur Hathaway,	21.60
Ira Aldrich,	28.80
L. W. Clapp & Son.,	29.40
G. A. Witherell,	134.62
Arthur E. Witherell,	1.00
C. A. Stark,	158.40
P. W. Fullar,	40.00
Robert Blakesley,	19.35
Perley Stark	6.20
C. M. Bartlett,	375.40
Edwin Frey,	75.15
W. L. Bartlett,	5.40
Francis Vias,	114.75
Edward Connelly,	51.75
A. Frey,	23.85
Harold Getts,	17.55
Almon Church,	17.55
Albert Blanchard,	23.40
Walter Witherell,	38.70
Joe Sarafin,	32.40
Rob. Hayden,	28.80
H. J. Payson,	32.00
Geo. H. Payson,	3.60
Ralph Payson,	3.60
H. M. Clapp,	56.00
John Sarafin,	3.60
Foster Farar Co., Iron for road drag,	5.53
Berger Mfg. Co., Culverts,	114.95
Levi Burt, Bolts & Iron for road machine,	1.75
Levi Burt, Dynamite caps and fuse,	1.75
D. S. Bridgeman, 317 loads gravel,	31.70
G. A. Witherell, 246 loads gravel,	24.60
Penn Metal Co., Culverts,	68.98
New England Culvert Co., Culverts,	63.98
C. A. Loud, 68 loads gravel,	6.80
E. J. Hathaway, 379 loads gravel,	37.90
W. L. Bartlett, Dynamite, caps & fuse,	2.75
Levi Burt, 20 caps,	.55
F. W. Blakesley, 168 ft. plank at \$35.	5.88
Levi Burt, 4 R. R. Ties at .50	2.00
Hary Lester, 67 loads gravel,	6.70
F. D. Bridgeman, 419 loads gravel,	41.90
J. A. Sullivan & Co., 2 picks, 3 handles, stone fork,	7.05
A. D. Montague, Dynamite,	1.00

L. W. Clapp & Son. 67 loads gravel, 1924,	6.70
E. H. Montague, 86 loads gravel,	8.60
	<hr/> \$ 5,128.86

EXPENDITURES ON ROADS IN TOWN OF WESTHAMPTON—CHAP. 81

1925

1. Main Road	\$ 735.20
2. Loudville Road	42.60
3. Rhodes Road	5.00
4. South Road	618.95
5. Montagu Road	149.70
6. Chesterfield Road	560.20
7. North Road	835.90
8. Kingsley Road	
9. Clapp Road	13.40
10. Shaw Road	
11. Northwest Road	682.57
12. Reservoir Road	95.87
13. Kings Highway	187.30
14. Pisgah Road	
15. Dodge Road	
16. Tob Road	23.20
17. Easthampton Road	237.00
18. Cross Road	
19. Stage Road	184.25
20. Lyman Road	36.20
21. Edwards Road	38.80
22. Cemetery Road	
23. Southampton Road	142.60
24. Cross Road	3.80
25. Mine Road	29.40
26. Cross Road	7.00
27. Hathaway Road	4.15
28. Cross Road	
29. Montague Hill	52.78
Tools	13.78
Culverts	251.91
Machinery and Tools	8.05
	<hr/> \$ 5,010.11

WINTER ROADS

A. D. Montague,	\$ 7.00
L. W. Clapp & Son.,	3.87
Claude Seymour,	9.00
A. L. Searle,	1.83
I. O. Shaw,	3.64
A. T. Edwards,	12.25
Phillias Goselin,	6.00
Arthur E. Witherell,	50.00
A. L. Snow & Son.,	9.50

Ernest Witherell,	22.52	
George Barr,	2.75	
C. M. Bartlett,	6.35	
P. W. Fullar,	7.60	
	<hr/>	\$ 147.61

BRIDGES

L. W. Clapp & Son, 624 ft. plank,	\$ 21.84	
D. S. Bridgeman, 254 ft. plank,	7.62	
F. W. Blakesley, 240 ft. plank,	8.40	
A. D. Montague, 157 ft. plank,	5.50	
A. E. Witherell, 1840 ft. plank,	73.60	
Levi Burt, 52 ft. plank,	1.82	
Levi Burt, Labor & truck,	4.00	
C. M. Bartlett, Labor,	3.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 125.78

NEW BRIDGE NEAR LESTER

G. N. Baker, Cement Mixer,	\$ 34.50	
United Construction Co.,	400.00	
A. D. Montague, Labor & Team,	46.00	
D. S. Bridgman, Team,	8.00	
Henry P. Bridgman, Labor,	14.40	
C. R. Burt, Labor,	3.60	
Levi Burt, Labor,	16.00	
Hary Lester, 15 loads gravel,	1.50	
J. A. Sturgis & Co., 59 bags cement,	44.25	
D. S. Bridgman, 131 ft. lumber,	4.58	
	<hr/>	\$ 572.83

GYPSY MOTH

John C. Hathaway	\$ 24.50	
Leslie Shaw	23.60	
Herbert Mascho	21.60	
E. A. Montague	21.60	
	<hr/>	\$ 91.30
Smith Agricultural School	\$	180.00
State Aid		48.00

Total Selectmen's Orders	\$	9,988.00
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RECAPITULATION

Town Officers	\$ 554.50	
Miscellaneous	3,139.12	
Highways	5,128.86	
Winter Roads	147.61	
Bridges	698.61	
Gypsy Moth	91.30	
Smith Agr'l School	180.00	
State Aid	48.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 9,988.00

Westhampton, Mass., December 31, 1925.

I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find them correct, having drawn orders to the amount of \$9,988.00 for which proper vouchers are on file.

D. S. BRIDGMAN,

Auditor

A. D. MONTAGUE

C. M. BARTLETT

LEVI BURT

Selectmen.

Jury List for 1926

Chester L. Hunt	Farmer
Lyman W. Clapp	Farmer
Edward H. Montague	Farmer
J. D. Turner	Farmer
Gilbert I. Flint	Farmer
Mahlon K. Parsnos	Farmer
W. M. Fiske	Farmer
Aaron Fisher	Farmer
George H. Burt	Farmer
Jared C. Williams,	Stationary Engineer
Eugene Hathaway	Farmer
D. S. Bridgman	Farmer

Estimates of Appropriations

1926

Schools	\$ 6,000.00
Bridges	700.00
Town Officers	650.00
Smith School	300.00
Poor	100.00
Board of Health	100.00
County Aid to Agriculture	50.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Gypsy Moth	125.00
Contingent Fund	300.00

Assessors' Report

TAX LEVY

Schools	\$ 6,000.00		
Highways	1,500.00		
Bridges	400.00		
Town Officers	650.0		
Smith School	200.00		
Contingent	300.00		
Gypsy Moth	125.00		
Board of Health	100.00		
Poor	100.00		
Memorial Day	50.00		
County Aid to Agriculture	50.00		
Snow removal	500.00		
State Tax	720.00		
County Tax	1,303.02		
Overlay	91.07		
			\$ 12,089.09
Less Estimated receipts			3,566.60
Cash in treasury Voted to be used			1,125.00
			\$ 4,691.60
			\$ 7,397.49
Personal Valuation	\$ 81,245.00		
Real Estate Valuation	244,550.00		
			\$325,795.00
Tax on Personal Estate	\$ 1,787.39		
Tax on Real Estate	5,380.10		
115 Polls at \$2.00	230.00		
			\$ 7,397.49
Rate per thousand		\$	22.00
	1925	1924	1923
No. of horses assessed	125	133	139
No. Cows assessed	267	257	277
No. Sheep assessed			5
No. Other Neat cattle assessed	130	148	160
No. Swine assessed	10	7	15
No. Dwelling houses assessed	102	101	100
No. Acres Land assessed	15,905	15,929	15969
No. Fowls assessed	1,410	1,195	1,366

A. D. MONTAGUE

C. M. BARTLETT

LEVI BURT

Assessors.

Report of School Committee

CENTER SCHOOL

Alice Graves
Cecil Carson

No. of weeks of school	36
Salary of teacher	\$850.00

HILL SCHOOL

Helen Crowley
Esther Stiles

No. of weeks of school	36
Salary of teacher	\$850.00

LOUDVILLE SCHOOL

Dorothy Sullivan
Viola Woods

No. of weeks of school	36
Salary of teacher	\$850.00

NORTHWEST SCHOOL

Susie Sanderson

No. of weeks of school	36
Salary of teacher	\$775.00

EXPENSES

Teachers' salaries	\$3,098.53
Retirement fund	163.98
Fuel	153.00
Supplies	129.80
Water rent at Center School	3.00
Tuition of E. Laura Hathaway in Springfield High School	13.50
Tuition of Edwin Frey, Donald Lyman, Eldora Meunier and Mable Smith in Easthampton High School	360.00
Tuition of Robert Blakesley and Robert Shepherd in Northampton High School	197.50
Supt's salary for year ending June 1925	200.00
Supt's salary from June 1925 to Dec. 31, 1925	120.00
Janitors	46.00
Cleaning school houses	9.00
Mrs. Harold Cushing teaching music	90.00
High School transportation	309.90
Lida Gosselin transportation	180.00

W. D. Miller, transportation	45.00
Taking school census	10.00
School nurse	95.00
Repairs at Loudville	187.04
Repairs at Hill	40.40
Repairs at Center	1.06
Mrs. E. A. Bartlett's services for 1925	25.00
Mrs. Edith Bridgman's services for 1925	12.00
Mr. J. C. William's services for 1925	15.00

JARED C. WILLIAMS, 1927

EDITH G. BRIDGMAN, 1928

EMILY A. BARTLETT, 1926

School Committee.

Westhampton, Mass., Dec. 31, 1925

I have verified the accounts of the School Committee for the year 1925 and find them correct. They have drawn vouchers for the sum of \$5,504.71.

D. S. BRIDGMAN,

Auditor

REPORT OF Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee:

I herewith submit my first annual report as superintendent of schools of Westhampton. Only one of last year's teachers returned this year, Miss Susie Sanderson of the Northwest School. Miss Cecile Carson of Grand Manan Island, New Brunswick, a graduate of the New Brunswick Normal School, is teaching the Center School. Miss Esther Stiles and Miss Viola Woods are at the Hill and Loudville Schools respectively. Both live in Holyoke and are graduates of the Westfield Normal School.

During the summer the Loudville School was thoroughly renovated and redecorated. Some repairing was also done to the Hill School. New geographies have been placed in the fourth and fifth grades. Similar books should be bought for the upper grades, and some other text books need to be replaced.

The gross expenses of the school department were \$5,504.71. Reimbursements from various sources were as follows:

State of Massachusetts:

General School Fund, Part II	\$1,735.45
General School Fund, Part I	400.00
High School Tuition	661.00
High School Transportation	232.43
Superintendent's Salary	137.04
Vocational Education	150.00

City of Northampton:

Share of Loudville School Expenses	423.63	
	<hr/>	\$3,739.55

Net cost of schools to taxpayers	\$1,765.16
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The following statistics were taken from the reports of the teachers for the school year 1924-25, which ended June 30, 1925.

	Whole Number	Average Membership	Average Attendance
Center School	27	25.09	23.20
Hill School	14	13.49	11.83
Loudville School	11	9.98	8.84
Northwest School	5	4.92	4.47
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	57	53.39	48.34

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT D. CASEY

REPORT OF

Joint School Board

District comprising the towns of Easthampton, Southamptⁿ, and Westhampton for the year ending June 30, 1925:

Each town's share of superintendent's salary:

Easthampton	\$2,300.00	
Southampton	500.00	
Westhampton	200.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,000.00

Net cost to each town

Easthampton pays		2,300.00
Southampton pays	\$500.00	
Receives from state	277.78	
Net cost to Southampton	<hr/>	222.22

Westhampton pays	200.00	
Receives from state	111.11	
Net cost to Westhampton	<hr/>	88.89

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVER W. COBB, Chairman

EMILY A. BARTLETT, Secretary

REPORT OF **School Nurse**

To the Town of Westhampton:

During the past year nine days have been given to school nursing. Given such a limited amount of time it is impossible to do a piece of constructive health work or to prevent the spread of contagious diseases.

The children have been weighed and measured three times during the year. Dr. Walter Taylor, school physician, has visited the four schools and completed his physical examinations.

The schools have been visited twenty-nine times. Home visits twenty-three. Health talks seventeen, fitted to glasses two, tonsils and adenoids removed six.

The Modern Health Crusade, teaching the children health habits by doing them, is the modern way of having children build up health habits that will follow them through life. This work is being carried on in all the schools.

All the children have been successfully vaccinated against small-pox.

The only recommendation I should make, would be to have the children immunized against diphtheria. Diphtheria is a preventable disease. Why not prevent it?

I wish to thank the Superintendent of Schools, school committee, school physician, teachers and parents for their co-operation in the school health work.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHEA STEWART,

School Nurse.

REPORT OF THE
Westhampton Reunion Library
 JANUARY 1. 1926

RESOURCES

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1925	\$ 67.05	
Int. on money in Easthampton Savings Bank	27.00	
Dog Fund	104.23	
Fines	3.00	
	\$ 201.28	

EXPENSES

Books from J. W. Bird	\$ 49.56	
Books from Bridgman & Lyman	2.50	
Magazines from Goldberger	36.58	
Library Supplies	3.00	
For auditing accounts	1.00	
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1926	108.64	
	\$ 201.28	
Volumes in library		6,132
Volumes in circulation		1,110
Magazines in library		13
Magazines in Circulation		497
Volumes added in 1925		91

REV. GEO. A. GRANT

VERA A. CHAPMAN

A. D. MONTAGUE

Committee

WARRANT

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 1, 1926

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

Art. 3. To hear and act on all reports presented at said meeting.

Art. 4. To choose all necessary town officers to serve the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To see if the town will take any action in regard to its Highways.

Art. 6. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to ratify and confirm the doings of its town officers.

Art. 9. To take action in regard to the collection of taxes.

Art. 10. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$50.00 for the support of the Hampshire Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture and elect a director of that organization who will be official town representative for said Trustees as per Chap. 273 of the Acts of 1918.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the current financial year.

Art. 12. To see if the town will appoint a committee of Citizens to confer with the officials of the electric light company to see what can be done about getting electric lights through town.

Oother articles may appear in posted warrant.

